

Van Meter News



June 2015

CITY OF VAN METER

Theme:

**HOMETOWN SUPER
HEROES!**

RACCOON RIVER DAYS— JUNE 6, 7 AND 8

Friday

Bingo – Veterans Reception Center 6-7:30pm

Little Mr. & Miss Van Meter Contest - 7:30pm
(FREE registration 7-7:30pm)

Location: Veterans Reception Center – Ages 4-6

Damon Dotson – Legends Fieldhouse 9pm

Saturday

- **BBQ Contest** – 6am Veterans Reception Center. Meat will be provided and used for the evening meal. Sponsored by EBANK
- **5K Run for the Troops** – 7am registration American Legion Post 403 Shelter; Race starts at 8am – proceeds go to Wounded Warriors Project
- **Farmers Market** – 8:30-11am by Fire Station/ Library (505 Grant Street)
- **Library** – 9am-1pm Summer Reading Kickoff – Every Hero Has a Story
- **Float Contest** – 9:45am Judging (Cash prizes will be awarded!)
- **Parade** – 10am (registration 9-9:45am) Parade begins at High School
Commentary on parade will be broadcast downtown across from Post Office.
- **MONEY DROP** – Immediately following the parade downtown. Ages 2-10
Sponsored by the Fire Fighters Association
- **Exhibits** – following parade until 1pm **DOWNTOWN by Fire Station/ Library Area**
- **Mercy One Chopper** – arrive at 10:45pm
- **Historical Tour** – Bus leaving from Fire Station Library Area at 11am for about a 45 minute tour.
- **Lunch**– available at Fire Station – 10:45 am -12:30 pm
- **Sand Volleyball** – Legends Fieldhouse at 12:00pm. Call to sign up now 515-996-9043
- **Great Duck Release**-Legion Auxiliary
- **All School Reunion**-Informal gathering at 3pm at the Veterans Reception Center
- **Games, Activities** – at the Veterans Reception Center starting at 6pm
- **Historical Tour** – Bus leaving from Veterans Reception Center Area at 4 & 5 for about a 45 minute tour.
- **Beer Garden** -5-10pm
- **Pie Auction** – 7pm
- **Fireworks** @ Dusk

All evening events will be held at the
**VETERANS RECEPTION
CENTER.** Bring a lawn chair.

Elected Officials:

-Allan Adams, Mayor

Council Members—

-Bob Lacy,
Mayor Pro Tem

-Michael Peterson

-Kim Sacker

-Owen Stump

-Elizabeth Tweed

City Staff:

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515-996-2644

Jake Anderson-
City Administrator
515-954-6094

Liz Thompson-Clerk
515-669-6396

David Herman-
Public Works
515-240-9280

Chad Gillespie-
Public Works
515-371-9933

Dorothy Knight-
Library Director
515-996-2435

Bill Daggett-Police Chief
515-202-4154
Dispatch: 515-993-4567

Jon Bruen-Fire Chief
515-371-8515

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- **Historical Tour** – Bus leaving from Veterans Reception Center Area at 4 & 5 for about a 45 minute tour.
- **Beer Garden** -5-10pm
- **PIE Baking Contest** – 6pm (registration 5-5:45pm)
- **Dinner served by EBANK**– 5:00-7pm free will donation
- **Photo Booth** – 5:30-9pm
- **Log Slammer** – 6-10pm
- **Laser Tag** - 6-10pm
- **Rock Climbing Wall** – 6-10pm
- **EXIT 113** – 6-10pm
- **Pie Auction** – 7pm
- **Fireworks @ Dusk**

Sunday

- **Donuts, Coffee and Juice** – 9:45am provided by Van Meter Community Betterment – free will donation!
- **All Community Church Service** – 10:30am American Legion Post 403 **Memorial Garden Shelter** limited seating please bring lawn chairs! 910 Main Street Van Meter, IA

Please visit the city website for entry forms and more information www.vanmeteria.gov

QUESTIONS?

Contact –
Raccoon-
RiverDays@gmail.com

Becca Wiederholt at
515-210-2848 or
Leslie Herman at
515-669-4038

VAN METER FARMERS MARKET

Van Meter Farmers Market Community Spotlight Booth

It's that season again. Time to begin the farmers market! This year in conjunction with the Van Meter Farmers Market we want to offer a kids activity booth. Our goal is for this booth to have a sponsor each week.

We are looking for:

Area businesses, community organizations, community services, area churches... anyone that would like to spotlight their business or activity.

No sale of product would be allowed, but you can market to the adults while the kids participate in the activity. A booth, canopy and tables are provided for no charge to sponsor a kid's activity. Draw people to your booth and business. Ideas include, but are not limited to coloring pages, face painting, tattoos, balloon animals, arts and crafts. The possibilities are endless.

Contact Becky Kinney at 515-210-2880 or Events2celebrate@gmail.com; or Holly Adams @ 515-996-2702 or VMFarmersmarket@gmail.com to participate.

You can also sign up for a date at the Raccoon River Days celebration.

VAN METER FARMERS MARKET


growers • gardeners • bakers • crafters
antiques • flea marketers • events

IT'S
BACK!

**Thursday
Night Market**
Starts June 11th
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

*Veterans Reception Center
EAST parking lot by the patio!*

Check out the **Thursday night dinner special**
at the Veterans Reception Center!

 Holly Adams – 515.996.2702
VMFarmersmarket@gmail.com

June 2015

Summer Recreational Swimming - 2015



ADEL AQUATIC CENTER

Tuesday and Thursday Afternoons

First Day – June 2; Last Day – Aug 6



Bus departs the school at 12:00 Noon - Returns by 3:30 pm

Pool Tickets ... Daily \$4.00 – Special Van Meter Group Price!!

Contact the pool for seasonal or family passes.

- Transportation only is being provided and remember...the **bus driver and the lifeguards are NOT babysitters.**
- Emergency info below must be completed for each child & given to the bus driver their first day on the bus.
- Kids are expected to display exemplary behavior both on the bus and at the pool. Anything less and they'll NOT be allowed to participate. Respect the bus and pool rules and of all other participants.

This opportunity is a privilege. Please respect it and... Let's have a fun filled summer!!!

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The bus driver must have this information for each child. Complete & bring the first day they go swimming.

Recreational Swimming Emergency Information

Participant's Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)

Home Address: _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

In case of an emergency notify the following:

#1 Contact:

Name _____

Relationship _____

City _____

Home or Work # _____

Cell # _____

#2 Contact:

Name _____

Relationship _____

City _____

Home or Work # _____

Cell # _____

Health Information: Personal Doctor/Clinic _____

City _____ Phone () _____

Hospital of your choice _____

Medical history, allergies, drugs taken and any other information that a doctor or First Responder should be aware of _____

Signature of Parent

Date

Library News



LIBRARY HOURS

Monday:	9—5 PM
Tuesday:	12—8 PM
Wednesday:	9—5 PM
Thursday:	12—8 PM
Friday:	9—5 PM
Saturday:	9—12 PM

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Become a Super Reader This Summer! Readers of all ages will explore their super human abilities as the Van Meter Public Library kicks off it's Summer Reading Program "Every Hero Has a Story." The Summer Reading Program is open to everyone, preschool through adult, with programs and events, prize drawings, and more!

Join us **June 7th**, during Raccoon River Days, from **9—1 pm** to get your summer reading log and starter prize. The library will have different stations outside for a variety of activities, including : create a superhero mask , get a super temporary tattoo, and design a heroic bookmark.

This event is just the beginning! Be sure when you stop by to ask for a calendar of events happening all summer long! More details about Summer Reading and library events can also be found on the library's website : vanmeteria.gov/library

Free advice for your device

Learn how to get your library's downloadable books onto your device! Just contact the library to make an appointment and bring in your mobile device (smartphone, tablet, e-reader, or laptop) to get some advice and help installing the library's apps for e-books, and downloadable audiobooks from WILBOR.

Your gadget must have basic setup done (out of the box, set up, passwords entered, and charged) as a prerequisite to this class. You will need your library card number, and you may need the password for your App Store on your device.



Volunteer!

Dear Parents and Friends: The Van Meter Public Library is looking for volunteers to help us offer more programs for our summer program. "Every Hero Has a Story" is designed to encourage children to continue reading during vacation so that valuable reading skills won't be lost. We hope to offer a variety of science activities for children. If you are interested in helping us, grab a form from the library or fill one out online and email it to:

dknight@vanmeteria.gov.

Can't volunteer, but still want to help support the Summer Reading Program? There are many ways to contribute! Contact the library for more details.

2014 WATER QUALITY REPORT FOR VAN METER MUNICIPAL WATER WORK

This report contains important information regarding the water quality in our water system. The source of our water is groundwater. Our water quality testing shows the following results:

CONTAMINANT	MCL - (MCLG)	Compliance		Date	Violation Yes/No	Source
		Type	Value & (Range)			
Total Trihalomethanes (ppb) [TTHM]	80 (N/A)	LRAA	11.00	09/30/2014	No	By-products of drinking water chlorination
Copper (ppm)	AL=1.3 (1.3)	90th	0.19 (ND - 0.20)	2014	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
Lead (ppb)	AL=15 (0)	90th	ND	2014	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
950 - DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM						
Fluoride (ppm)	4 (4)	SGL	0.771 (0.64- 0.771)	4/8/2014	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL=4.0 (MRDLG=4.0)	RAA	1.5 (1.06 - 2.2)	06/30/2014	No	Water additive used to control microbes
02 - WELLS #2 ('68) AND #3('04) AFTER TRTMNT						
Combined Radium (pCi/L)	5 (0)	SGL	1.1	01/19/2012	No	Erosion of natural deposits
Barium (ppm)	2 (2)	SGL	0.14	07/08/2014	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
Sodium (ppm)	N/A (N/A)	SGL	32	07/08/2014	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Added to water during treatment process
Nitrate [as N] (ppm)	10 (10)	SGL	1.46	2014	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits

Note: Contaminants with dates indicate results from the most recent testing done in accordance with regulations.

DEFINITIONS

- Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) – The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
- Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) -- The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- ppb -- parts per billion.
- ppm -- parts per million.
- pCi/L – picocuries per liter
- N/A – Not applicable
- ND -- Not detected
- RAA – Running Annual Average
- LRAA – Locational Running Annual Average
- Treatment Technique (TT) – A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
- Action Level (AL) – The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
- SGL – Single Sample Result
- TCR – Total Coliform Rule

GENERAL INFORMATION

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water posed a health risk. More information about contaminants or potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. VAN METER MUNICIPAL WATER WORK is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

This water supply obtains its water from the North Raccoon sand and gravel of the Alluvial aquifer. The Alluvial aquifer was determined to be highly susceptible to contamination because the characteristics of the aquifer and overlying materials provide little protection from contamination at the land surface. The Alluvial wells will be highly susceptible to surface contaminants such as leaking underground storage tanks, contaminant spills, and excess fertilizer application. A detailed evaluation of your source water was completed by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, and is available from the Water Operator at 515-996-2644.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For questions regarding this information or how you can get involved in decisions regarding the water system, please contact VAN METER MUNICIPAL WATER WORK at 515-996-2644.

Decisions are made at the city council meetings held on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Legion Hall and are open to the public.